GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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ASSISTANCE FROM UK
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the single largest recipient of UK aid;

(b) if so, the total aid provided by UK during 2000-2001;

(c) whether this aid is proposed to be increased during the next three years as stated by UK Foreign Commonwealth Minister during his recent visit to India; and

(d) if so, the States which are the recipient of this aid?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a): Yes Sir.

(b): During 2000-2001, the total Grant assistance received from the United Kingdom was Pds 96.64 million.

(c): The New Delhi Declaration signed between our Prime Minister and the Prime Minister of UK on January 6, 2002 announced that the UK intends to triple its development assistance to Indiato approximately Pds 300 million (Rs.2100 Crores approximately) a year by 2004.

(d): The priority States of UK Grant are West Bengal, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh.